ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

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The present invention provides an information processing apparatus including first display control means, icon-specifying means and second display control means. The first display control means controls a display of a plurality of first icons on a first hierarchical layer, a plurality of second icons on a second hierarchical layer at a level lower than the first hierarchical layer\so as to exhibit an array of the first icons as a column or a row on a screen and an array of the second icons as another column or another row on the screen according to the size of a display area on the The icon-specifying means specifies a desired icon from the first or second icons. The second display control means changes the array hierarchical structure displayed on the screen so as \setminus to display a plurality of third icons to replace the second icons in the array hierarchical structure on the screen and display the < second icons to replace the first\icons in the array hierarchical structure on the screen when the iconspecifying means specifies one of the second icons in the array hierarchical structure.